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Gerard D. Robilotti
Executive Vice President
The Danbury Hospital
24 Hospital Avenue
Danbury, CT 06810

Re: Certificate of Need Determination Report Number 05-30505-DTR
The Danbury Hospital
Establishment of Southbury Cardiovascular Diagnostics

Dear Mr. Robilotti:

On May 12, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the proposal of The Danbury Hospital ("Hospital") for the establishment of Southbury Cardiovascular Diagnostics at the Hospital's Southbury location of 22 Old Waterbury Road in Southbury, at a total capital expenditure of \$418,180. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your CON Determination request letter and makes the following findings.

1. The Danbury Hospital ("Hospital") is an acute care general hospital located at 24 Hospital Avenue, Danbury, Connecticut.
2. Presently, the Hospital offers the following services at its Southbury office:
 - a) Rehabilitation (Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy)
 - b) Geriatrics
 - c) Blood Drawing Station
3. The Hospital is proposing to use the unused leased space at the Southbury Office located at 22 Old Waterbury Road, Southbury Connecticut, to establish Southbury Cardiovascular Diagnostics and offer cardiac/vascular stress testing, nuclear cardiology scans and cardiac/vascular echo services.

4. The Hospital currently offers diagnostic cardiovascular services at the Hospital, and is proposing to relocate one of its existing nuclear cameras from the Hospital to the proposed Southbury Office location to offer diagnostic cardiovascular services in Southbury.
5. The Hospital is also proposing to acquire treadmill and exercise related equipment, as well as acquire echo related equipment.
6. The cost of the proposed Southbury Cardiovascular Diagnostics will be as follows:

Table One: Total Capital Expenditure

Nuclear Camera	\$150,000
ECHO Equipment	125,000
Treadmill & related equipment	30,000
Related Renovations	10,000
Other Ancillary Medical Equipment	\$103,180
Total	\$418,180

7. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal will be funded through the Hospital's equity.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that The Danbury Hospital's proposal to establish Southbury Cardiovascular Diagnostics at the Hospital's existing Southbury Office is a new service to be offered by the Hospital at the Southbury location; therefore, Certificate of Need authorization is required, as the proposal is for the establishment of services at a new location outside of Danbury, Connecticut.

OHCA considers your CON Determination filing of May 12, 2005, as your Letter of Intent; therefore, you may file your CON Application with OHCA between August 10, 2005 and October 9, 2005. The CON application form is being mailed to your attention separately.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Steven Lazarus at (860) 418-7012.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

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